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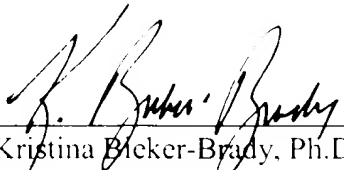
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office Action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on August 14, 2002 be extended for three months, to and including February 14, 2003.

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